## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

This invention relates to a user-friendly information processing apparatus capable of transferring electronic information from one recording medium to another recording medium while maintaining versatility of enabling connection to an external device. In this information processing apparatus, when a control unit detects that a memory card with an adaptor has been inserted in a PC card slot and allows read or write of electronic information, and an MO 10 disk has been inserted in an MO disk slot and allows read write of electronic information, message electronic information can be transferred is displayed on a monitor. The user sees the display, can grasp at a glance that electronic information can be transferred at present, 15 and can understand that a press to a copy button starts transfer.